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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Implementing the Army Acquisition Reform Strategy

References.

- a. Memorandum, SARD-PPR, September 22, 1996, subject: Implementing the Army Acquisition Reform Strategy.
- b. Memorandum, SARD-PR, February 24, 1997, subject: Implementing the Army Acquisition Reform Strategy.

In the reference a memorandum, you were tasked to begin strategic planning based on the Army Acquisition Reform Strategy. You were to incorporate this strategy into your organizational strategic planning process and comply with the furnished "Guidelines for Army Acquisition Reform Strategic Planning." The product was to be your Acquisition Reform Improvement Plan (ARIP). You were to establish an Acquisition Reform Home Page on the Internet by November 1996 and develop your ARIP by January 1997. The plan was to be posted on your Home Page so we can hyperlink all the ARIPs.

In the reference b memorandum, you were asked to please post your ARIP to your Acquisition Reform Home Pages by March 15, 1997.

We have performed an assessment of the results emerging from your acquisition reform strategic planning activities as of July 1997. Major Commands (MACOMs) that get good marks for their initial efforts are the U. S. Army Forces Command, The U. S. Army Materiel Command and The U. S. Army Space and Strategic Defense Command. The Program Executive Officers (PEOs) that get good marks are Air and Missile Defense; Intelligence, Electronic Warfare and Sensors and Tactical Missiles. The assessment and its appendices can be downloaded from http://acqnet.sarda.army.mil/acqref/acqref3.htm.

We still need points of contact identified for the Eighth U. S. Army and the U. S. Army South.

I encourage you to continue this vitally important acquisition reform strategic planning process in a timely manner. MACOMs and PEOs should provide command emphasis to assure that acquisition reform strategic planning achieves good results and complies with the "Guidelines for Army Acquisition Strategic Planning." We will conduct another follow-up assessment of the acquisition reform strategic planning progress and results in January 1998.

If you have any comments, please provide them to Mr. Maxwell Westmoreland, DSN 761-9141, e-mail westmorm@sarda.army.mil.

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